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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)	
CONDUCTING ELECTRONIC)	
AUCTIONS)	

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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The undersigned Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application hereby grants power of attorney to the registered practitioners of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP included in the Customer Number provided below to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and direct that all correspondence be addressed to:

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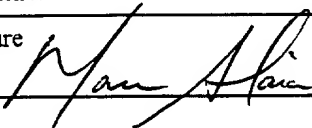
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

FreeMarkets OnLine, Inc., a United States corporation, certifies that it is:

1. ☒ an assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of an undivided part interest

in the application identified above by virtue of:

- A. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the application identified above. The assignment was recorded as follows:

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Dated: 3/26/99

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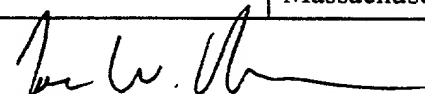
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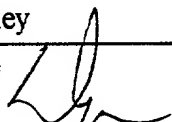
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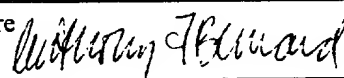
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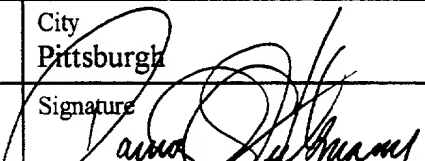
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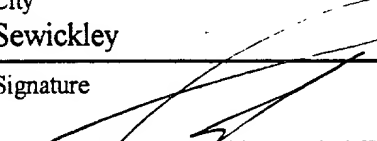
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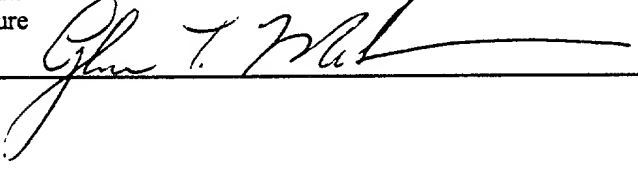
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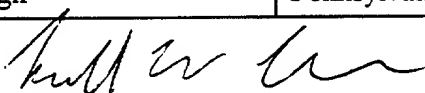
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I/We, the below named inventor(s), [hereinafter referred to as Assignor(s)], have made an invention entitled:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONDUCTING ELECTRONIC AUCTIONS

for which I/WE executed an application for United States Letters Patent concurrently herewith; or filed an application for United States Letters Patent on February 19, 1999, (Serial No. 09/252,790); and

WHEREAS, FreeMarkets OnLine, Inc., a corporation of Delaware, whose post office address is One Oliver Plaza, 210 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention in all countries throughout the world, and in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, I/WE, as assignor(s), have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, MY/OUR entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of such application, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for this invention in any foreign country and all Letters Patent which may be granted on this invention in any foreign country, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof; and I/WE hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any official of any foreign country whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as described above, to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

AND, I/WE HEREBY covenant that I/WE have the full right to convey the interest assigned by this Assignment, and I/WE have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment;

AND, I/WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that I/WE will, without further consideration, communicate with assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to ME/US respecting this invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said assignee, its successors or assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States and any foreign country, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I/WE have hereunto set our hand(s).

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_____ Notary Public	_____ Date
Names of additional inventors attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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WHEREAS I/We, the below named inventor(s), [hereinafter referred to as Assignor(s)], have made an invention entitled:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONDUCTING ELECTRONIC AUCTIONS

for which I/WE executed an application for United States Letters Patent concurrently herewith; or filed an application for United States Letters Patent on February 19, 1999, (Serial No. 09/252,790); and

WHEREAS, FreeMarkets OnLine, Inc., a corporation of Delaware, whose post office address is One Oliver Plaza, 210 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention in all countries throughout the world, and in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, I/WE, as assignor(s), have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, MY/OUR entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of such application, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for this invention in any foreign country and all Letters Patent which may be granted on this invention in any foreign country, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof; and I/WE hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any official of any foreign country whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as described above, to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

AND, I/WE HEREBY covenant that I/WE have the full right to convey the interest assigned by this Assignment, and I/WE have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment;

AND, I/WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that I/WE will, without further consideration, communicate with assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts known to ME/US respecting this invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said assignee, its successors or assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States and any foreign country, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the assignee, its successors and assigns.

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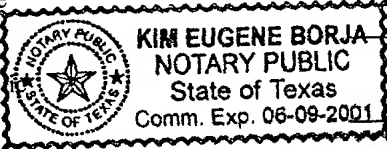
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